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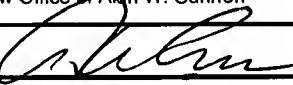
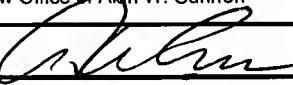
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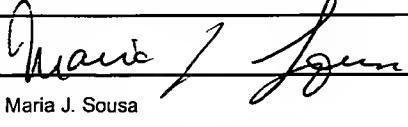
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Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action dated April 15, 2008 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before July 15, 2008. This response is being filed within the two-month period ending on June 16, 2008 (June 15, 2008 being a Sunday). In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. Applicants submit that the amendments set forth below raise no new issues. Rather, the amendments place the claims in form for allowance or in better form for appeal. Entry of these amendments is thus respectfully requested.

